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Reply to Final Office Action of May 27, 2005

**AFTER FINAL EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
REMARKS**

Claims 1 to 6 were pending in the application at the time of final examination. Claims 1 to 6 stand rejected as anticipated.

Claims 1 to 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by the U.S. Patent No. 6,092,196 to Reiche (hereinafter, Reiche). In the Final Office Action dated May 27, 2005 the Examiner repeats the rejections set out in the first Office Action dated January 29, 2005. The bases for the rejections are further maintained in the instant Office Action.

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of each of Claims 1, 3, and 5. Applicants respectfully note that The MPEP requirements for an anticipation rejection include:

. . . "The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is contained in the . . . claim." . . . The elements must be arranged as required by the claim, but this is not an *ipsissimis verbis* test, i.e., identity of terminology is not required."

MPEP § 2131, 8th Ed., Rev. 2, p. 2100-73 (May 2004).

The MPEP clearly sets out that "the elements must be arranged as required by the claim. . ." This is a mandatory requirement and failure of a reference to show the elements arranged as recited in the claim means that the reference fails to anticipate the claim. Note that the requirement is not that elements in a reference can be rearranged to read on Claim.

Further, with respect to the MPEP requirement that "each and every element as set forth in the claim is found", there is no statutory allowance under 102(b) for bits of information to be extracted from disparate elements of the cited reference, and for those same bits of information to be recombined to form a single element. Despite such a statutory prohibition, in an attempt to find elements equivalent to those recited in the Claims, as discussed more completely below, the Office Action

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contains numerous examples of recombination of extracted bits of information from the Reiche reference. For example, in an attempt to find an element equivalent to the rights key credential as recited in Claim 1, the Examiner points to no fewer than five bits of information drawn from five separate and distinct elements of the Reiche reference. (Please refer to the instant Office Action, Page 2, Paragraph 3 and Page 3, Paragraph 1.)

In addition to the foregoing example, please note the following:

(1) Reiche, Col. 9, Lines 45-46 were cited as teaching a "resource identifier comprising a resource server peer group ID and a randomized ID." However, these lines actually teach "[t]he AD CGI program (step 228) decodes the passed special URL (step 230)." Thus, Reiche teaches a program for decoding a URL (Universal Resource Locator), widely known in the art as the unique address for a file that is accessible on the Internet. It is well known to those of skill in the art that the URL contains the name of the protocol to be used to access the file resource, a domain name that identifies a specific computer on the Internet, and a pathname, a hierarchical description that specifies the location of a file in that computer. However, the URL contains neither the resource server peer group ID nor the randomized ID as recited in Claim 1. Thus, decoding a special URL fails to teach the identical invention in as complete detail as contained in the claim.

(2) Reiche, Col. 8, Lines 65-66 were cited as teaching a "resource server peer group ID and a randomized ID." However, these lines actually teach "[a]t step 208 the Authentication Daemon 124 will generate a unique 4 byte client ID and a 16 byte random transaction ID. . ." Thus, the cited section of Reiche teaches a client ID (defined in Reiche as the entity that "makes a request", Col. 8, Line 47 and does not teach the ID of the resource server peer group as recited in Claim 1 as

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"the resource server peer group comprising at least one server that maintains a mapping between a randomized ID and said at least one key."

(3) Reiche, Col. 9, Lines 63-66 was cited as teaching "providing access to said resource using said at least one key." However, these lines actually teach "[a]t step 240, the client ID, transaction ID, time out value and client IP address are verified against those stored in the memory table 122. If the verification is successful (step 242) the scheme will proceed to step 244." Step 244, in turn, provides for "connect to AD Verification daemon.", Figure 2c, step 244. Nowhere does this part of Reiche teach providing access to said resource as defined in Claim 1.

Any one of the foregoing examples of failure to teach the elements of the instant Application is sufficient to overcome the anticipation rejection.

In addition, Applicants respectfully note the Examiner mistakenly asserts in the instant Office Action that "the applicant argues the reference, Reiche, discloses all the limitations, but does not disclose all the limitations based on a single request made by the user." Applicants respectfully submit that this mischaracterizes Applicants' remarks and demonstrates that the remarks were not fully considered.

Applicants respectfully draw the Examiner's attention to the previous response dated April 19, 2005 to the Office Action dated January 29, 2005. Contrary to that which is asserted in the final office action, Applicants' response clearly states that "Reiche, Col. 9, lines 3 to 5 were cited as teaching exactly 'at least one key to provide access to a resource on said data communications network.' However, these lines actually teach, '[t]his information is then encrypted using a simple private key encryption algorithm, uuencoded and URL encoded to facilitate transmission (step 214).' Thus, Reiche teaches an encryption technique and fails to teach or even

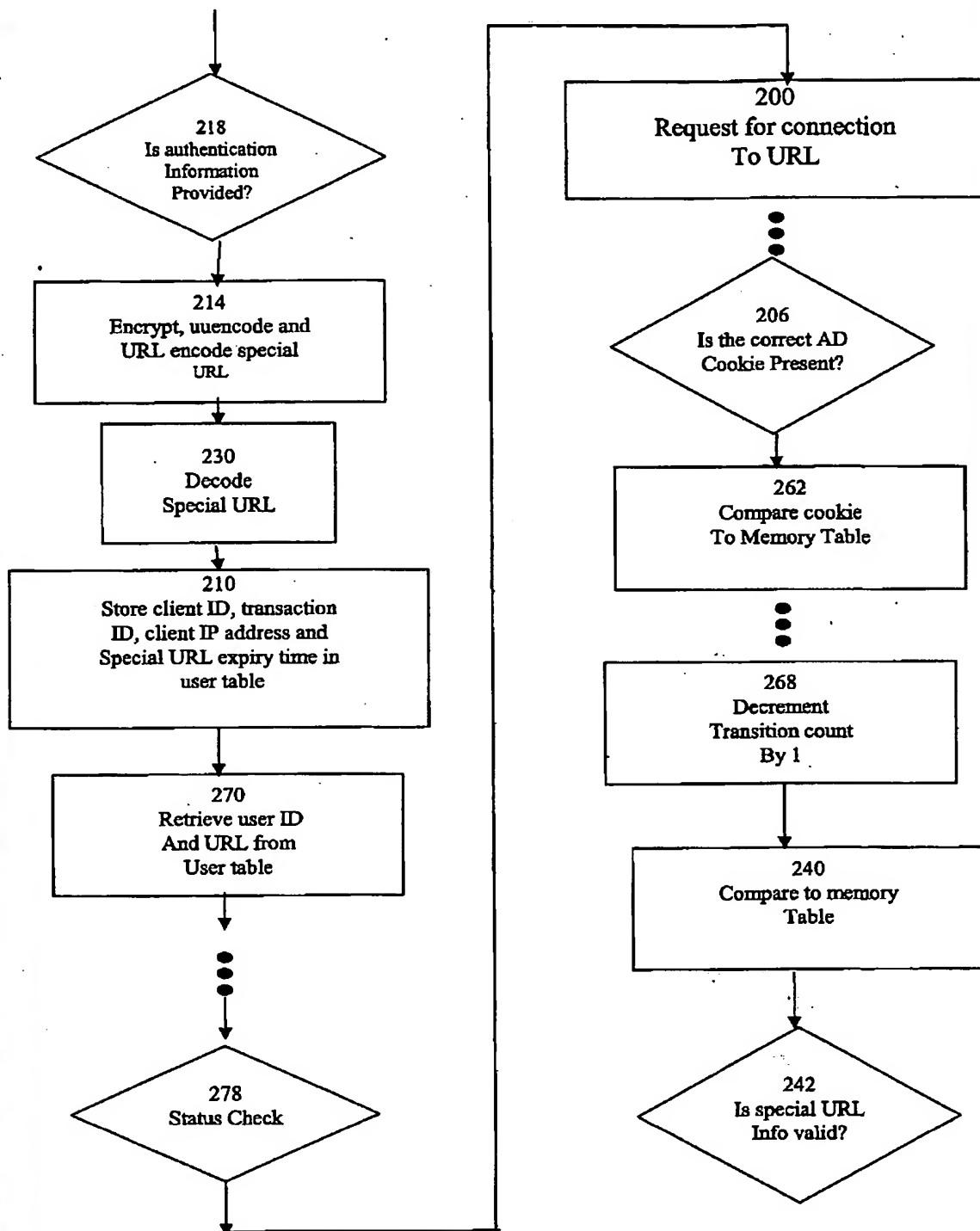
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With all due respect, Applicants respectfully point out that the modification of Reiche in the rejection, as represented by the above flow chart would not be sufficient to maintain an obviousness rejection because no motivation for the modification has been provided. If a prima facie case under 103(a) cannot be established, a rejection under the more stringent standard of 102(b) certainly cannot be proper or sustainable in the instant Application. For all of these reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the anticipation rejection of Claim 1, 3, and 5.

With respect to Claims 2, 4 and 6, the above comments are incorporated herein by reference. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the anticipation rejections of each of Claims 2, 4 and 6.

Claims 1 to 6 remain in the application. For the foregoing reasons, Applicant(s) respectfully request allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner has any questions relating to the above, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicant(s).

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